



Big Bone Lick State Historic Site

June 23-26, 2016

Welcome to Big Bone Lick State Historic Site! The park's Program Services staff provides safe and enjoyable outdoor experiences for all park visitors. Our goal is to enhance the visitor experience by sharing the park's unique prehistory, interpreting its natural resources, and providing a variety of purely recreational offerings.

All activities are FREE unless otherwise noted (\$).

Children 12 & under must be accompanied by an adult at all activities.

A minimum of 3 participants are required per program.

Staff Listing:

Parks Program Services Supervisor: Ossana Wolff

Interpretive Staff: Claire Kolkmeyer

The Recreation Shelter is located in the Campground. All Programs open to the public unless noted.

ALL TIMES ARE Eastern Standard (EST)

Thursday, June 23

1:00 P.M. **Meet the Big Bone Bison:** Did you know that Big Bone is home to live American Bison? They are our living link to the Ice Age, 10,000 years ago! Come learn about bison then and now, and get to know the Big Bone bison herd. This program includes a short hike (0.25 miles) to the bison area.

Location: Visitor Center/Museum , 0.25 mile easy hike to Bison Viewing Area

Approx Time: 45 Minutes **Ages:** All Ages

3:00 P.M. **Tobacco Walking Sticks (\$):** Come decorate your own piece of Kentucky heritage, the tobacco stick. These sticks were used to hang and dry tobacco on farms all over Kentucky. Today they make awesome walking sticks! You can paint, wood burn and feather your own special tobacco stick.

Location: Recreation Shelter

Approx Time: 1 Hour

Ages: All Ages

Fee: \$5 per walking stick

Friday, June 24

- 1:30 P.M.** **Atlatl, Prehistoric Weapon of Choice:** Prehistoric people came up with a rather ingenious device in order to hunt for large animals and for protection. The device, called an atlatl allowed a person to throw a long dart up to several hundred yards. Join the Park Interpreter to learn more about the atlatl and see how well you can throw an atlatl dart. **All children under 12 years old must be accompanied by an adult.*
Location: Meet at the Campground Store
Approx Time: 45 Minutes **Ages:** 8+ to throw*, all ages to watch
- 3:00 P.M.** **Make-and-Take FlutterFlies:** Whether it is a butterfly, dragonfly or a damselfly it definitely flutters and brings a smile to our faces. This fun craft uses simple supplies to make a clothes pin butterfly and dragon- (or damsel-) fly for you to take home and enjoy.
Location: Recreation Shelter
Approx Time: 45 minutes **Ages:** All Ages

Saturday, June 25

- 9:30 A.M.** **The Nature of Big Bone Lick - Tree Edition:** Ahhh nature... it is one of the best things about Big Bone. There are many sides to the nature of the Park including our trees. On this mile long walk we will cover the basics of tree ID and learn about 10 common trees of Big Bone Lick.
Location: Meet at the Museum/Visitor Center **Length:** 1 mile, easy hike
Approx Time: 1 Hour **Ages:** All Ages
- 11:00 A.M.** **T-shirt Tie-Dye (\$):** Join Park Staff for an afternoon of tie-dye and fun! We will give you your very own Kentucky State Parks t-shirt and you can let your imagination run wild. Supplies limited. Program begins promptly at 11 A.M. You can purchase your shirts ahead of time between 10:30 and 11 A.M. at the Recreation Shelter. Limited quantities. First come, first serve.
Location: Recreation Shelter
Approx Time: 1 Hour **Ages:** All Ages
Fee: \$8.00 per participant (KY State Park shirt included)
- 1:00 P.M.** **The Nature of Big Bone Lick: Creek Explorer:** What is the best thing to do on a hot summer day? Get wet of course! Join Interpretive Staff for a wet and muddy exploration of Big Bone Creek. On this trip we will be exploring all the different habitats in and around the creek. Come prepared to get wet and wear your old shoes.
Location: Meet at the Visitor Center/Museum, short walk to the creek
Approx Time: 1 Hour **Ages:** All Ages

3:00 P.M. **Fire Starting, the Pioneer way:** Would you be able to start a fire without matches or a lighter? Come discover how to start fire using flint and steel like the pioneers did. Everyone will have a chance to try their hand at starting a fire.
Location: Recreation Shelter
Approx Time: 45 Minutes **Ages:** All Ages

Sunday, June 26

10:30 A.M. **Make-and-Take Nature Print Pictures:** This cool paper creates pictures with just sun light and water. Join the Park Interpreter as we search for interesting objects to “photograph”. Each participant will create a picture and take it home to put on the fridge.
Location: Recreation Shelter (Campground)
Approx Time: 30 Minutes **Ages:** All Ages
***Note:** this program requires sunlight, or at least no rain

*Hike along the Big Bone Creek Interpretive **TRAIL** to enjoy nature or walk.*

*Shop the **GIFT SHOP** to find that perfect gift or keepsake*

*Buy a **Gift Card** for that perfect gift that can be used for anything on the park such as Mini golf, camping, and gift shop.*

Pool Hours
Campground Guests Only

10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Gift Shop

Check out our gift shop to buy T-shirts, pottery, toys, specialty candies, and KY Handcrafted products.

Upcoming Special Programs

JULY 8, 2016

Tour the Stars

Have you ever wondered what the galaxies actually look like from earth? What about the distant stars you can't see with the naked eye? Join Big Bone Lick staff with Dr. Bresser & Dr. Vogler from Northern Kentucky University for a tour of the stars.

9:30 P.M. to about 11 P.M.